

Wilmington N C 14 July 1874

Hon A W Tourge

Raleigh N C. Dear Sir. I have informed  
our brethren of the postponement of Alamance Court. Since I  
parted with you at Person I have not seen a well day. The  
chills & fever and it looked like, "all the other ills that flesh  
is heir to" took possession of me and has totally prostrated me  
I am weighing only 112 lbs and am so weak and feeble  
that I cannot walk without aid. I feel better to night and  
may be able to finish this epistle

I will not be able I regret to say, ~~be able~~ to meet you at  
Alamance. I have no strength to do anything and hardly  
any disposition to do it if I had <sup>the</sup> strength. I will however transfer  
to you the apylis that my friend Peter Harden usually supplies  
me with this Court. Should he be costume with you, call in his  
Stone, and ask him to walk eye stairs with you <sup>to look at things</sup> If you should  
see a hoghead or barrel filled with oats, put your hand in  
and fill your pockets. Peter is entirely too well bred to say "Halt"  
I feel I am giving out and must close

Very Resp. Servant

Yrs Obedt Servant  
Saml P. Hill

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